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Madrid, November 25.

HIS Catholick Majesty has named the Bishop of *Avila*, to go his Ambassador Extraordinary to the King of *Portugal*, and it's believed by many he will have orders to propose a Marriage between that Infanta and one of the Princes of *Newburg*. Here is a project on foot to make 8 Millions of Copper Money, and several Merchants are treating with to furnish that Metal, but the thing is much opposed by some, who think instead of easing it will ruine the People. We are now again making solemn Processions for Rain, having had none a long time, and indeed such another Drought as we had the last year, will starve half the poor people in this Country, Bread being already become very dear. Yesterday arrived here an Express from the Marquis *de Grana*, with the welcome news of the Christians having taken *Strigonia*, otherwise called *Gran*.

Vienna, November 25. The last Letters from *Hungary* inform us, that the Imperialists have taken three Castles, *Zetschin*, *Diuni*, and *Blauenstin*. which will serve very much to secure their Winter-quarters. That the Poles intend to be very troublesome to the Transilvanians by their Incursions this Winter, if they do not change sides, and enter into a League against the Turks. And that their Parties have been as far as *Temeswar*, and have had a Rencounter with a party of Turks belonging to that place, most of whom were killed. We seem here very confident that the Alliance that's now treating between the Emperor and the Republick of *Venice* will be very speedily concluded; and that the Moscovites will make use of this conjuncture to recover the Places which the Turks took from them not many years agone. We know not what Judgment to make of the Negotiation with Count *Teckeley*, our advices continuing to speak very differently of it, but generally it's believed that he will not quit his engagements with the Turks till he sees the farther success of things, and the rather because of the great preparations the Grand Visier, (who, all our Letters say, continues to have the chief or rather sole direction of the affairs of the Ottoman Empire, and has received, as a mark of the Grand Signior's favour, a new Staff of Command) is making for a vigorous prosecution of the War the next year.

Prague, November 27. The States of this Kingdom begun their Assembly yesterday. The Emperor demands of them a supply of 14 hundred thousand Crowns towards the enabling him to make the necessary preparations for the War, and it's believed the States will grant it. Thirteen Imperial Regiments are to have their Winter-quarters in this Kingdom, and the Imperial Commissaries are come hither to regulate them, and to assign to each Regiment their quarters. We can expect no great store of news from *Hungary* during this season. We hear the Poles begin to make Incursions upon the Turks and Transilvanians; and that the King of *Poland* is on his return to *Cracow*, where he purposes to hold a Dyet.

Lintz, November 30. The Emperor, as we are told, has resolved to raise 12 new Regiments of Foot, and the Commissions are preparing. The Imperial Officers begin already to raise recruits, and many of them have received the moneys allowed by the Emperor for that service. Here are a great many General Officers, and the Duke of *Lorrain* is expected to morrow; presently after his Highness's arrival, a great Council of War will be held, to order the preparations for the next Campagne, and to take other necessary resolutions. The Emperor will have in the Spring an Army of 60000 men of his own Troops in *Hungary*, which with the Forces of his Allies it's thought will be sufficient to make head against any Army the Grand Visier can bring into the Field; tho' we hear from all hands that he makes great efforts to draw together a greater Force than he begun this last Campagne with. The Duke of *Courland*, who was in the Army as a Volantier, has offered to raise a Regiment for the Emperor, and to have it compleat in two months.

Lintz, November 30. Yesterday arrived here from *Hungary* the two Princes of *Neuburg*; and to morrow the Duke of *Lorrain* will be here. The Baron *de Freytag*, whom the Emperor has made choice of to go in quality of his Ambassador to the Czars of *Moscovy*, is preparing for his journey, which it's believed he will begin about the middle of the next month. Count *Starenberg*, Governor of *Vienna*, has received from *Spain* a Decret for the Order of the Golden Fleece. It is reported that Letters from Count *Teckeley* to the Grand Visier, have been intercepted, wherein he desires the Visier to send orders to the Bassa's of *Erla* and *Waradin* to assist him in the design he has to fall upon the Poles in their quarters.

Ratisbonne, December 1. Here has not of late passed any thing of moment. From *Lintz* they write that the Imperial Officers have begun their Recruits and other preparations against Spring. That the Duke of *Lorrain* was expected at *Lintz* as this day, and that then a great Council of War would be held: That the Emperor had resolved to raise 12 new Regiments, and that the Moneys for the making the Levies were already given out: That the Treaty with Count *Teckeley* seemed to be at a stand, the Imperialists every day more and more mistrusting him: And that the King of *Poland* having seen his Troops in their Winter-quarters, was gone home.

Hamburg, December 3. The account we gave you in our last of the loss of a Swedes Man of War of 64 Guns, called the *Bleking*, is confirmed by Letters of the 20th past from *Stockholm*; which like-